

Washington, DC (May 31, 2012) – U.S. Rep. Gus Bilirakis (R-Palm Harbor) today issued the following statement after the House of Representatives passed the FY 2013 Intelligence Authorization Bill, which funds all U.S. intelligence activities, including global counter-terrorism operations, cyber defense, global monitoring of foreign militaries, and research and development of new technologies:

"This legislation will provide our nation's intelligence community with the resources and capabilities they need to keep our country safe. It enhances counter terrorism efforts by allocating resources to critical national security programs, including those that detect, prevent, and disrupt potential terrorist attacks against the American people, and increases oversight on the spending of domestic intelligence agencies."